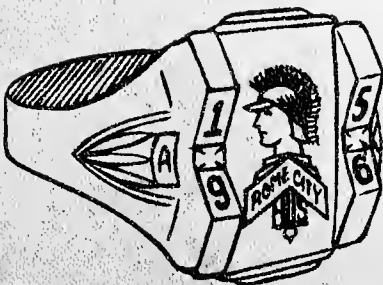


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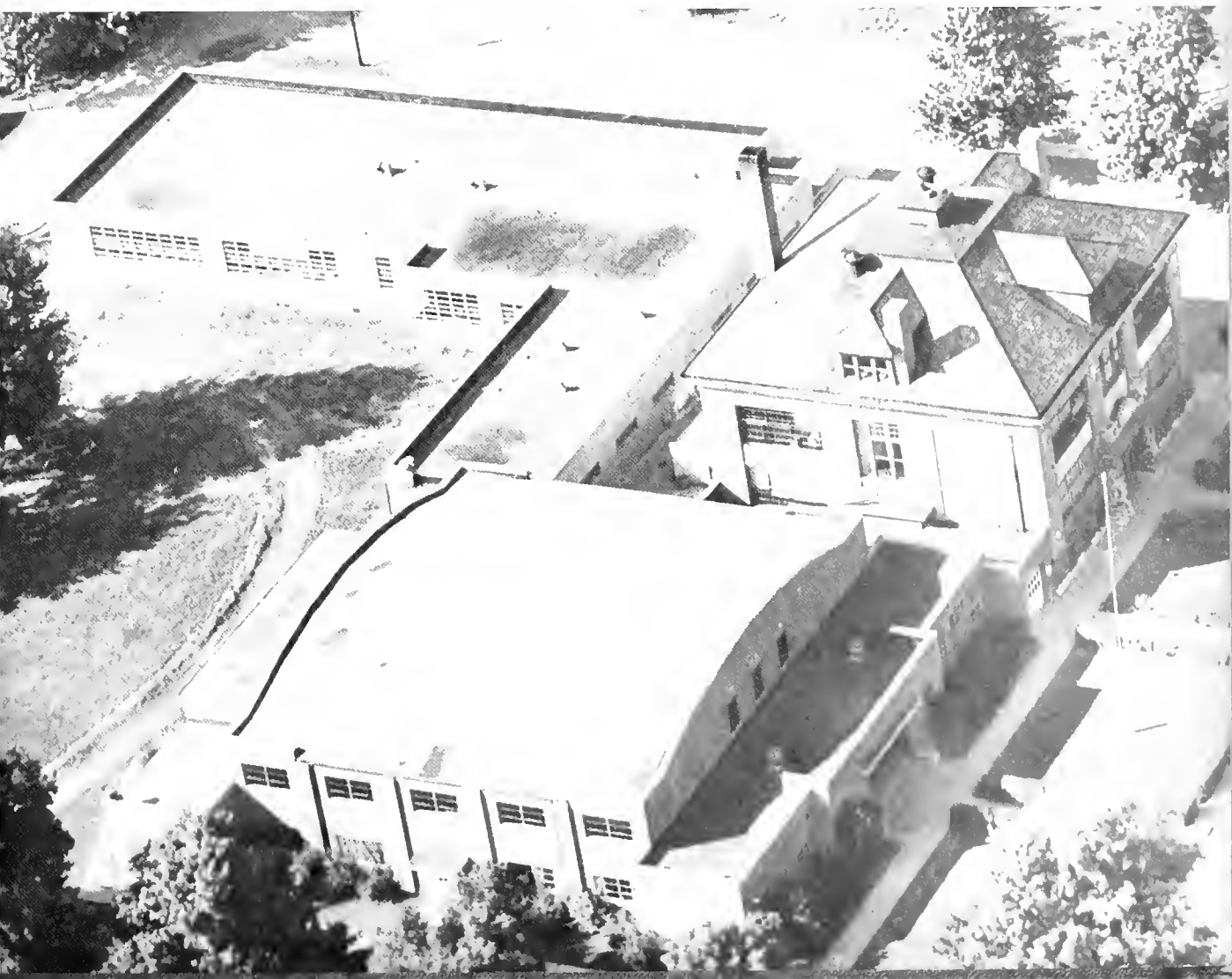
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LAST WILL AND TESTAMENT

ARTICLE I

We, the class of Nineteen Hundred and Fifty-Six, having been proven of sane mind and body (believe it or not) and having completed our apprenticeship at R. C. H. S., feel it our solemn duty and binding obligation to pass on to those still serving their apprenticeship, those things which will help them in all activities, whether they be for business or not. We do hereby publish this will and testament for their benefit, and we do revoke all former wills made by us heretofore.

ARTICLE II

We do hereby leave to those in the apprenticeship of the Junior Class our ability to make money and to put on good plays and proms. To those in the Sophomore apprenticeship we will our ability to be in class on time and our ability to always have our assignments on time. To those in the Freshman apprenticeship we will our ability to have fun while learning. To the faculty members we will our best wishes along with the earnest hope that the underclassmen will use to the best of their ability the things we have willed them.

ARTICLE III

I, Donna Coy, will my driving ability to Joyce Miller. I also will my ability to like McCrays to anyone who wants it.

I, Don Fritz, will my Senior locker to anyone who gets stuck with it. I also will my club to keep the girls off to Larry VanPelt.

I, John Fritz, will my ability to go steady to Butch Stuart, and my ability to get kicked out of school and still return to Butch Minich.

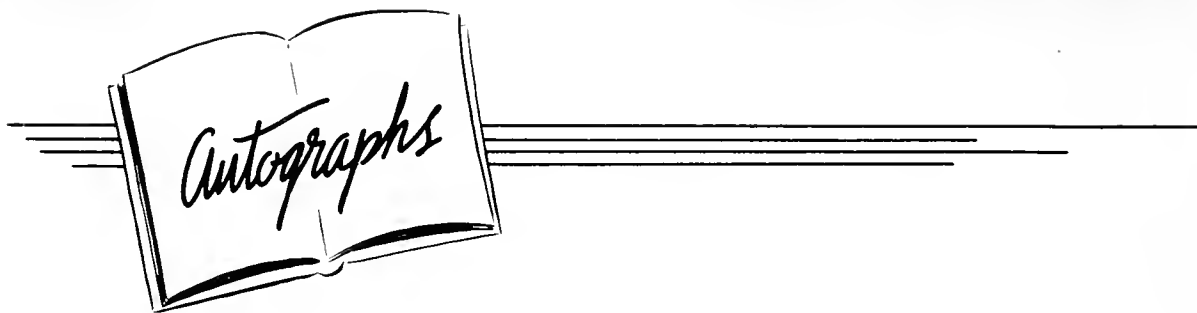
I, Jack Furlow, will my church key to Raymond Brown. All I know about cars and how to customize them I will to Jack Pence. I will all my girls from Gary, Indiana, to Kendallville, Indiana.

I, Dorothy Thomas, will my ability to be an honor student to my sister Fairy. I will my actions in home room to anyone on the Booster Club.

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administration





DEDICATION

We, the members of the Senior Class of 1956, dedicate this yearbook in thanks to all the members of the faculty, who have helped us grow in stature and wisdom. We realize that many of these benefits will yet be reaped from their guidance.



HERMAN J. WARD

PRINCIPAL SCIENCE

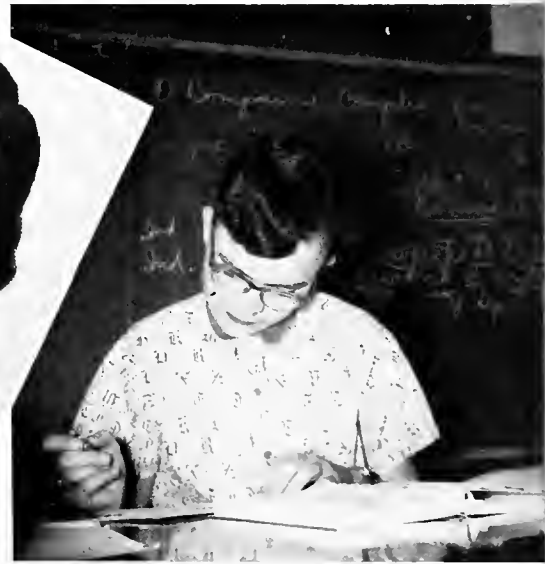
We've learned from our
dear friend, Mr. Ward
That the pen is mightier
than the sword.

ENGLISH LATIN

To our Miss Biehl,
teacher of Speech,
Who taught us how
our goals to reach.



HELEN BIEHL



SHOP PHYSICAL EDUCATION HEALTH

To Mr. Shock, a friend
of all the boys,
Who in his class tact
employs.



PAUL SHOCK





ART
To Mrs. Frick, teacher
of art,
Always willing to do
her part.

ROBERTA FRICK



HISTORY
ENGLISH
To Mr. Wilson, altho
he's new,
The class dedicates
this annual, too.

ABSALOM WILSON



MATHEMATICS
To Mr. Wilcox, teacher
of math,
Who seldom ever shows
his wrath.

ROBERT WILCOX



HOME EC.
BIOLOGY
To Mrs. Koons, teacher
of cooking,
Who trains the girls
to keep neat-looking.

DOROTHY KOONS

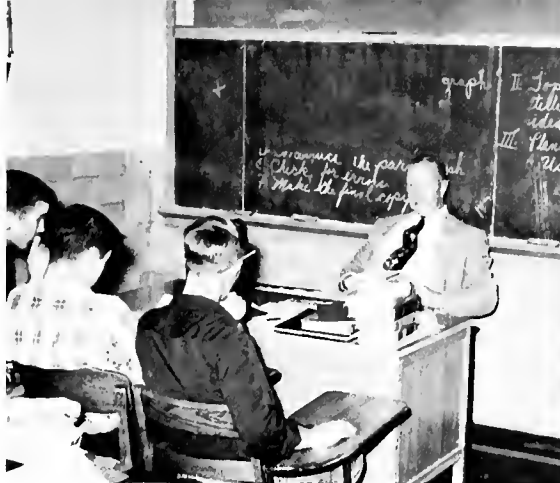




GEORGE GROSSKOPF

GOVERNMENT
U.S. HISTORY
COACH-PHYS. ED.

To Mr. Grosskopf, coach
of many a game
if ever we lose, he's
not to blame.



COMMERCIAL
PHYS. ED.

To Mrs. DeWald, who
business taught,
Also to us friend-
ship brought.

MABEL DeWALD



MUSIC

To Mr. Timberlake,
leader of the band,
Who is always ready,
with a helping hand.

LEWIS TIMBERLAKE

AGRICULTURE
CHEMISTRY

To Mr. Goings, a
willing worker
No person would ever
call him shirker.

DONALD GOINGS



ADMINISTRATORS

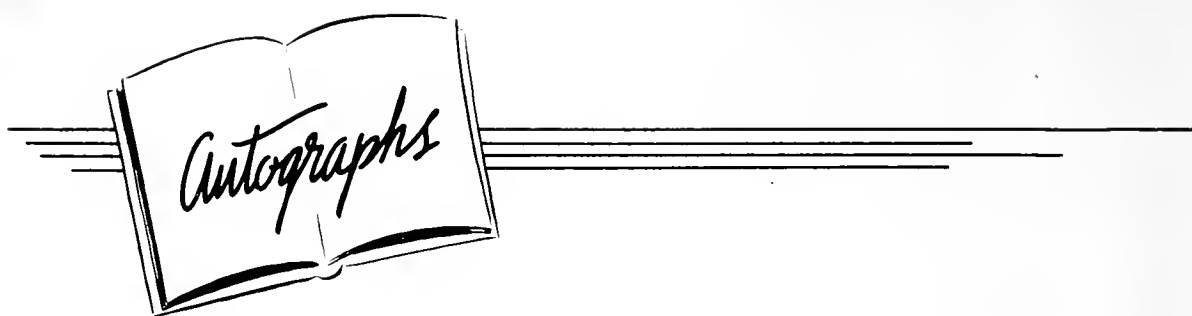


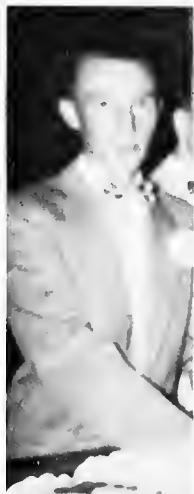
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and Hobart Masters.
SUPERINTENDENT:
Joseph N. Adair
TRUSTEE:
Warren Imes.





seniors





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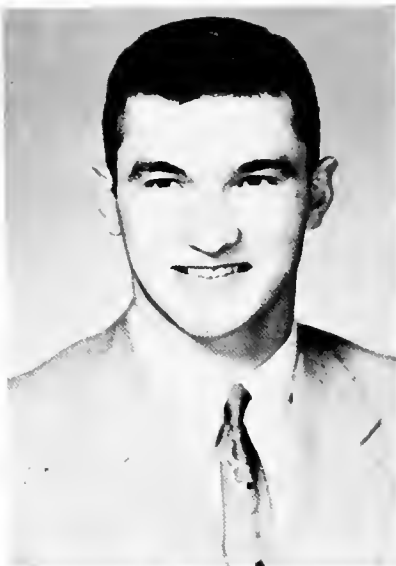


DAVID PRAY ("Dave")
"We do the difficult right away,
the impossible takes a little
longer."
Senior President; Band; Music
Club; Track; St. Council (Treas.);
Technical director of Senior
Play; Asst. Editor of Annual.

DAVID KILGORE ("Crazy Legs")
"How many times do I have to
tell ya!"
V. Pres.; F. F. A.; Jr. Play; Sr.
Play; Track; Basketball; Base-
ball; Quartet; Choir; Letterman's
Club; Sports for Annual.



SUZANNE ACKERMAN ("Sue")
 "To breathe and blow at the same time
 is not easy."
 Glee Club; F. H. A. ; 4-H; Junior Play ;
 Booster Club.



DAIRL ACRES ("Ace")
 "Old and young we are all on our last
 cruise."
 Volleyball; Baseball; Basketball; Track;
 Sr. Play Committee; Student Council
 Pres. (Sr.); V. Pres. (Fr.); Treas. (Jr.);
 Letterman's Club.



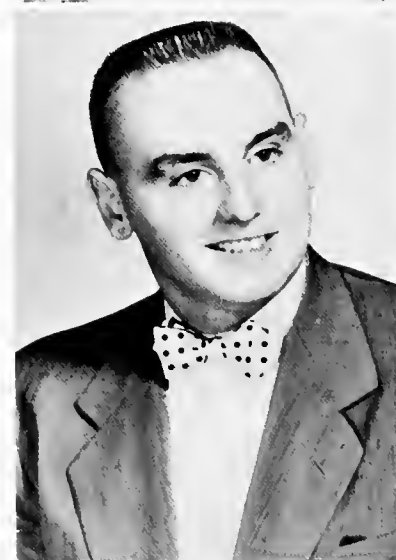
EDWARD BORTNER ("Ed")
 "It's not the end, it's just the beginning."
 Freshman Treasurer; F. F. A. ; Sr. Play;
 Letterman's Club; Basketball; Track.



DONNA COY ("Toy")
 "In those dark eyes a sparkling spell
 dwells of mystery and mischief."
 F. H. A. ; 4-H; Glee Club; Music Club;
 Booster Club.



DON FRITZ ("Chief")
 "Patience is the stepping stone to
 wisdom."
 Jr. President; Sr. Treas. ; Soph. Sec. ;
 Jr. Pres. of St. Council; Track; Editor
 of Annual; Jr. Play; Sr. Play; Choir;
 Quartet; Jr. Cheerleader; Letterman's
 Club.



JOHN FRITZ ("The Kid")
 "I always return."
 Choir; Quartet; Baseball.



MARILYN KITCHEN ("Kitch")

"I'm just a country girl but I like the city guys!"

Jr. Play; Sr. Play; Glee Club; Booster Club; F. H. A.; Choir; Trio; Double Trio; Music Club; Cheerleader; Band; Soph. Pres.; Fresh. Reporter; Class Editor of Annual; Triple Trio.



ANN KUDLA ("Kuddles")

"Time and Ann wait for no man."

Choir; F. H. A.; Double Trio; Sr. Play.



GLENDA LINGO ("Glen")

"Jackson's loss and Rome City's gain."

Choir; Glee Club; F. H. A.



CAROL MANNING ("Sugar")

"Sure I can."

Music Club; F. H. A.; Glee Club; Choir; Jr. Play; Sr. Play; Cheerleader; Booster Club; Soph. St. Council; Asst. Business Manager of Annual.



EDWARD MARTIN ("Skip")

"Never turn corners in the middle of the block."

Sr. Play; Choir; Circulation Manager of Annual.



VIRGIL McKENZIE ("Virg")

"And away we go."

F. F. A.; 4-H; Basketball.



JACK FURLOW ("Gurpo")
 "Where there's a pretty girl,
 there's Jack."



SUE HOLSINGER ("Toody")
 "Sure we will."
 Activities Editor of Annual; Jr.
 Play; Sr. Play; Choir; Glee Club;
 Freshman Pres.; F. H. A.; Boy's
 4-H; Music Club; Booster Club;
 Cheerleader.



DICK HULEN ("Hulie")
 "Just cause."
 Jr. Play; Sophomore Vice Pres-
 ident; Letterman's Club.



RUSSELL JACOBS ("Rusty")
 "Me and my cold blooded Hudson."
 Track; Letterman's Club.



LaVORNA KIMMELL ("Fi Fi")
 "In those dark eyes a sparkling
 spell dwells of mystery and mis-
 chief."
 Cheerleader; Booster Club; Music
 Club; 4-H; F. H. A.



SALLY SEDGWICK ("Sal")
 "My, things are happening fast!"
 Trio; Double Trio; Choir; Jr. Play;
 Sr. Play; Secretary Jr. and Sr.
 St. Council; Music Club; Advert-
 isement Editor of Annual.



GLORIA NISSEN ("GLO")
 "But Grandma, what a big sub-
 poena you have in your pocket."
 Booster Club; Band; Choir; Music
 Club; Glee Club; Trio; Double
 Trio; Soph. Cheerleader; Sr.
 Play; F. H. A.; Triple Trio.



HAVEN POST ("Spider")
 "I's just a little ole black boy."
 Letterman's Club; F. F. A.; Base-
 ball; Basketball; Sr. Play; Choir.



LAWRENCE DIETRICH ("Bud")
 "Better late then never."
 Choir; Jr. Play; Vice. Pres. (Jr.).



GEORGE SPEAKMAN
 "You bet ya."
 Jr. Play; Sr. Play; Choir; Letter-
 man's Club; Baseball; Track;
 Quartet.



DOROTHY THOMAS ("Dor")
 "Dyamite comes in small pack-
 ages."
 Sr. Play; F. H. A.



SHARON WOOD ("Woodie")
 "Activities never bother me."
 Jr. Play; Sr. Play; Band; Glee
 Club; Music Club; Drum Major-
 ette; Booster Club; F. H. A.; Girl's
 4-H; Boy's 4-H; Girl's Ensemble;
 Business Manager of Annual.

JUNIOR PLAY

"THE ADVENTURES OF TOM SAWYER"



"Shame on you, Tom Sawyer."



"I'm tired, Ma, Let's go home."



The shy Becky and the
bashful Tom.



"Gee, I wish I could draw."



"Gosh, I never knew
she loved me so."

CAST

TOM SAWYER (DON FRITZ)

BECKY THATCHER (SUE HOLSINGER)

MRS. THATCHER (MARILYN KITCHEN)

MRS. HARPER (SUZANNE ACKERMAN)

AMY LAWRENCE (SALLY SEDGEWICK)

WIDOW DOUGLAS (DELORES SCHOREY)

HUCK FINN (DAVID KILGORE)

AUNT POLLY (SHARON WOOD)

MARY ROGERS (CAROL MANNING)

JOE HARPER (DICK HULEN)

SID SAWYER (BUD DIETRICH)

INJUN JOE (GEORGE SPEAKMAN)

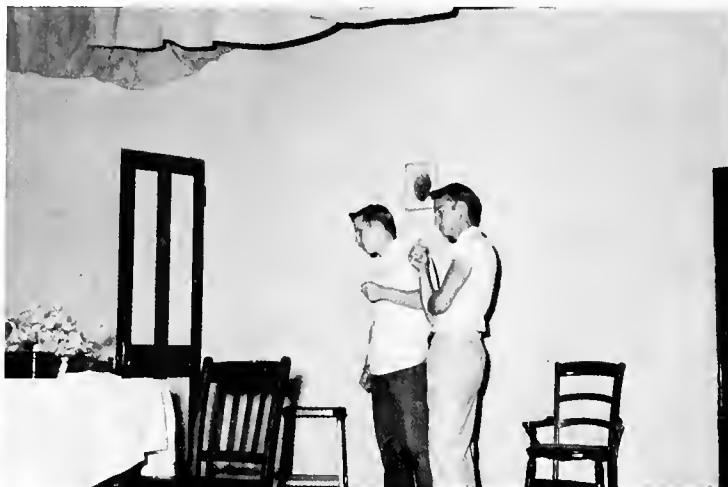
WALT POTTER (BILLY HALL)

SENIOR PLAY

"HUCK FINN"

MARILYN KITCHEN
(Mary Jane Wilks)

GEORGE SPEAKMAN
(Dr. Robinson)



DON FRITZ
(Tom Sawyer)

DAVE KILGORE
(Huck Finn)



SALLY
SEDGEWICK
(Aunt Sally
Phelps)



GLORIA NISSEN
(Susan Wilks)



CAROL MANNING
(Glory Belle Hotchkiss)



ANN KUDLA
(Mrs. Hotchkiss)



SUE HOLSINGER
(Matilda Phelps)

DOROTHY THOMAS
(Joanna Wilks)



SHARON WOOD
(Lize)



HAVEN POST
(Niger Jim)



ED BORTNER
(The King)



SKIP MARTIN
(The Duke)



"Sure, we have
a servant girl. "

"Real sneaky. "



"Oh, Romeo. "



PROPHECY

What will the future hold for the graduates of this class? Let's take a look. Could it possibly be like this?

Suzanne Ackerman is the wife of a navy admiral who is teaching at Annapolis.

Dairl Acres is running an atomic filling station for supersonic cars on Route 3 in Avilla.

Edward Bortner has gone through Indiana University and is an architect in South America. He has become quite famous.

Donna Coy is the wife of a very successful dairy farmer in Green Bay, Wisconsin.

John Fritz is in Hollywood making all the actresses "swoon" over his looks as he wears his Bermuda shorts.

Lawrence Dietrich has just won the Five Hundred Mile Race in Indianapolis for the third consecutive time.

Don Fritz has served 6 months in the army, and has gone through college. He is now a Lutheran Minister in Kendallville.

Jack Furlow has taken over the Stork Club and is a very successful manager.

Sue Holsinger is a very reliable nurse for Dr. Albert Sweitzer in Africa.

Dick Hulen is a noted florist who designs floats for the Rose Bowl parades.

Russell Jacobs has just been elected President of the United States. He was backed by all ex-paper-wad throwers of the country.

David Kilgore was found sitting on his veranda in his Colonial mansion, smoking his #5.00 cigar. He was watching his blue grass grow.

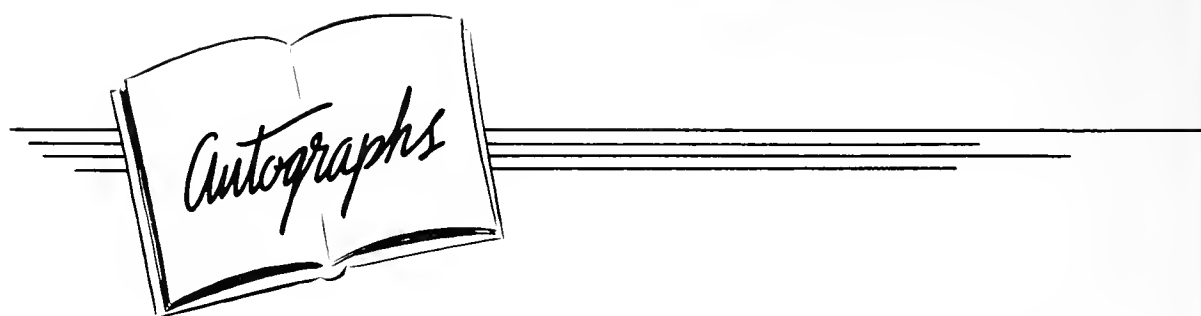
Lavorna Kimmell is a lady wrestler who just appeared at the War Memorial Coliseum.

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juniors







NOT PICTURED
James Walburn

CLASS OFFICERS

STANDING: Mrs. DeWald,
sponsor; Carl Flint, President;
Mrs. Koons, sponsor. SITTING:
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D. Richmond, Vice President;
S. Frick, Secretary.



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D. Donat



J. Pence



C. Flint



C. Acres



H. Hammel



D. Wilson



J. Spencer



A. Donely



M. Holleck



D. Evers



C. DeRemer



J. Garner



S. Frick



D. Wear



B. Hoffman



D. Richmond



R. Hague



J. Grocock



J. Holsinger



B. Minich



M. Lambert



C. Nowels



D. Hilker



M. Bruce



J. Chapman



D. Shelvis



A. Rowe



R. Brown

CHEMISTRY CLASS:
(TO THE RIGHT): Did the janitors forget to fire up? Or is this an experiment to see who can sit on the radiator the longest?



Money! Money! Money!--these words sum up the reason for existence for the Junior Class. In the picture above Jim Growcock, Bob Hoffman, and Butch Minich are seen selling candy, the source of revenue for the undernourished Junior treasury.

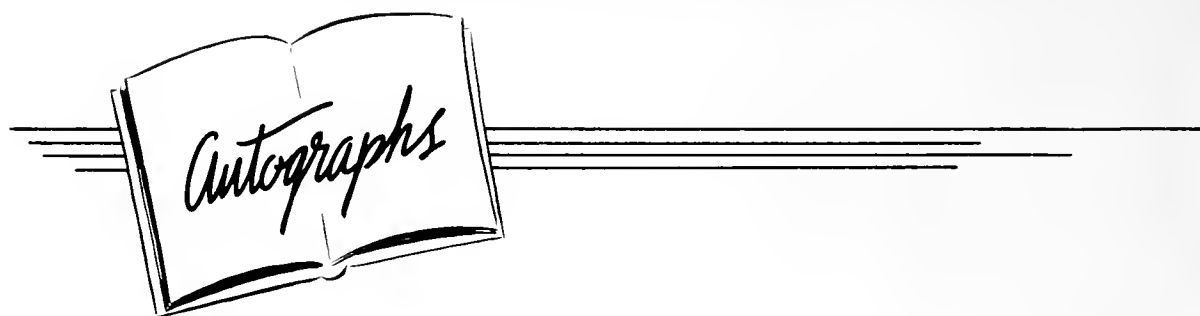
WARNING! FUTURE SCIENTISTS AT WORK (OR PLAY?)

The happy expressions on the faces of Mary Jane Lambert and Sharon Frick (in the picture below) indicate that something interesting is about to take place. What could it be?



sophomores







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Sponsor; Roger Schermerhorn,
President; Mr. Wilcox,
Sponsor; SITTING: L. Van-
Pelt, Vice President; K.
Holsinger, Treasurer; J.
Stewart, Secretary.



N. Kilgore



A. Rhea



F. Kudla



L. VanPelt



J. Walker



M. Weidman



M. Steffee



J. Miller



M. Krull



M. Weible



D. DeBaillie



K. Holsinger



B. Potee



J. Green



P. Kimmel



J. Freeland



B. Vance



M. Donat



L. Hague



F. Thomas



M. Kitchen



R. Schermerhorn



R. Glass



F. Frick



J. Stewart



T. Bowers



J. Felger



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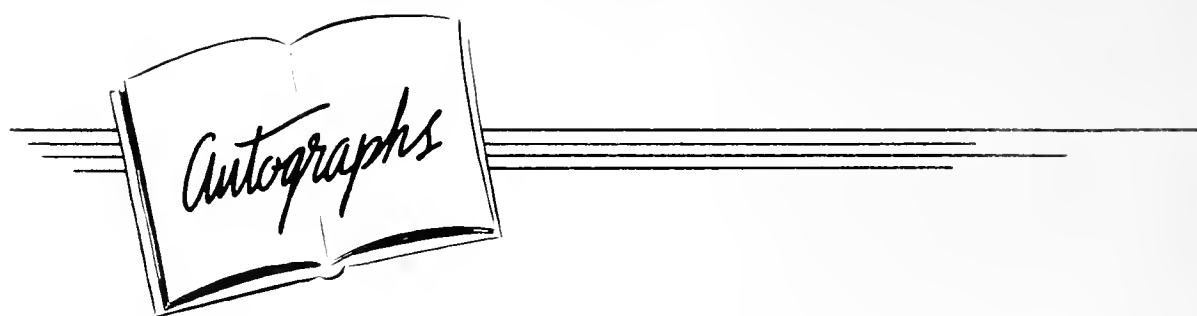
Two sophomores Fred Kudla (standing) and Jack Walker cutting up at a Pep Session.



The sophomores working hard in General Business class.

freshmen







CLASS OFFICERS

SEATED: J. Schermerhorn,
Secretary; T. Knafel, Vice
President; N. Imes, Treasurer.
STANDING: Mr. Shock, Sponsor;
B. Shelvis, President; Mr. Go-
ings, Sponsor.

NOT PICTURED

J. A. Husrvet; B. Rauh; R.
Collins; R. Ackerman; and J.
Donley.



S. Martin



D. Powell



B. Gallup



O. Kimmell



M. Bolen



P. Growcock



S. Smith



N. Imes



A. Skaggs



N. Bush



J. Schermerhorn



P. Pitney



S. McCarty



C. Sleeper



J. Bell



L. Taylor



T. Nott



F. Evers



R. Sturgis



J. Krull



D. Rauh



D. Rowe



V. Sutton



J. Bidwell



P. Zimmerman



R. Marshall



H. Frick



D. Hendersen



A. Huff



D. Blomeke



L. Houser



P. Garner



M. Havert



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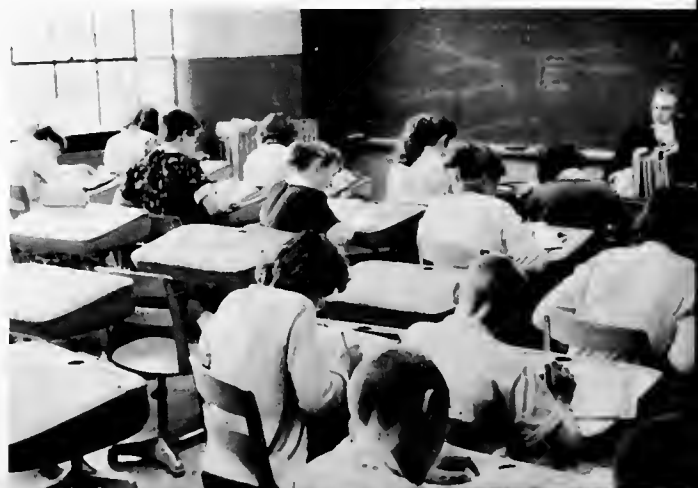
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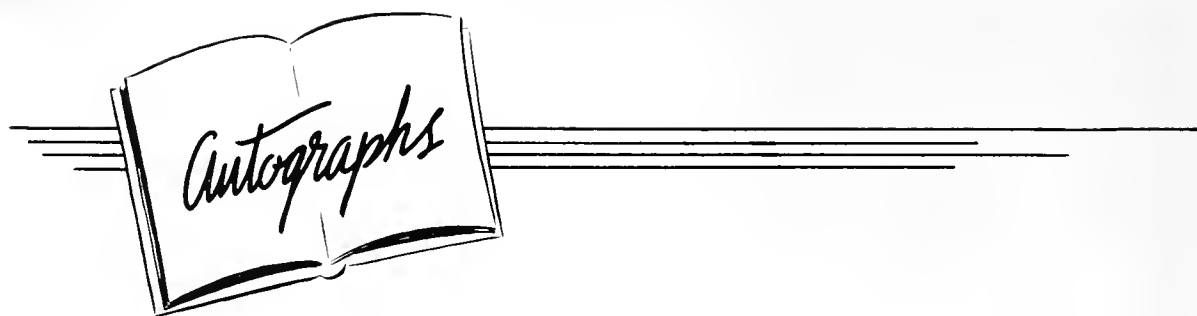
E. Schmidt



B. Shelvis









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N. Keister

N. Dalton



K. Thomas

B. Rice

S. Kimmell

C. Morris

E. Vandebosch

L. Criswell

M. Fitzgerald



B. Sutton

N. Hemerick

T. Laws

A. Williams

D. Huff

C. Conrad

P. Lawson



F. Jones

J. Clemans

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L. Growcock



H. DeBaille



S. Holsinger



L. Post



S. Masters



G. Pence



I. Stenner



A. Brown



D. Dixon



J. Kitchen



D. Krull



J. Kinley



K. Knafel



C. Kitchen



R. Minnich



J. Adair



N. Chester



E. Cook



GRADE 7
 FRONT ROW:
 L. Havert,
 E. Ritchie,
 J. Marty,
 L. Buckland,
 R. Frick, R.
 Wilson, E.
 Minich, L.
 Donat, B.
 Potee, T.
 Shelvis, S.
 Smith.
 SECOND ROW:
 C. Powell,
 C. Smith,
 B. Hippen-
 hammer, G.
 Fulford, P.
 VanZile, J.
 Miller, S.
 Pitney, M.
 Ritchie, C.
 Goldfuss, G.

Goings, B. Kelley, E. Ritchie, K. Varner, M. Bruce, S. Gray. THIRD ROW: R. Summers, H. Adams, J. Fritz, S. Niles, M. Skaggs, H. Smith, F. Freed, L. Dixon, P. Ahl, C. Bruce, D. Richmond, D. Richmond, B. Barkey, D. Tatman, A. Bowers. FOURTH ROW: P. Hustvet, K. Logan, C. Atkins, S. Taylor, C. Hollech, S. Lung, B. Broom, B. Stevens, S. Garton, P. Hisey, K. Carper. ABSENT: J. Brinkman. Teacher Mrs. Herczeg.

GRADE 6

FRONT ROW: B. Freeland, M. Mossman, L. Rauh, G. Rice, W. Vance, M. Wear, M. Munk, J. Cook, D. Krull.
 SECOND ROW: S. Wood, C. Webb, D. Bidwell, J. Hastreiter, L. Butler, S. Huff, J. Terry, L. Spencer. THIRD ROW:
 S. Schroyer, D. Hemrick, I. Ahl, C. Frick, G. Sedgwick, D. Hetrick, P. Blaising, J. Huff. FOURTH ROW: B. Imes,
 L. Franks,
 D. Holsinger,
 M. Criswell,
 J. Butler, B.
 Ackerman,
 D. Freed.
 ABSENT:
 S. Miller,
 J. Stevens.
 Teacher:
 Mrs. Johnston.





GRADE 5
 FRONT ROW: O. Owens, D. Frain, R. Hippenhammer, P. Pray, D. Herr, M. Gibson, B. Dalton, D. Loos, L. Leatherman, V. Reidenbach.
 SECOND ROW: J. Thomas, N. Huff, B. Conrad, S. Holsinger, J. Carter, T. Atkins, J. Gallup, J. Bell, A. Lawson, B. Hague,
 THIRD ROW: R. Jackson, P. Waller, T. Imes, D. Frank-

lin, R. Whetzel, N. Peiffer, B. Masters, B. Smith, T. Simonton. FOURTH ROW: G. Dixon, B. Krull, K. Taylor, L. VanZile, B. Huff, M. Morrison, L. McClellan, C. Buckland, M. Masters, Teacher: Mrs. Schermerhorn.

GRADE 5 and 6

FRONT ROW: B. Freeland, T. Havert, M. Fritz, J. Broom, I. Ritchie, J. Bruce, S. Wilson, R. Thomas, F. Sturdivant.
 SECOND ROW: J. Faux, S. Ramer, J. Cheek, J. VandenBosch, R. McKenzie, C. Huff, A. Jackson. THIRD ROW: S. Zimmerman, M. Hetzel, J. Gibson, R. McDonald, A. Eberly, K. Buckland, S. Kimmell.
 TOP ROW: M. DeBaillie, J. Mawhorter, W. Garton, D. Lawson, E. Skaggs, M. Hoffman,
 Teacher: Mrs. Castetter.





GRADES 3, 4
 FRONT ROW: R. Hicks, S. Ammerman, D. Conrad, J. McClure, D. Vandenbosch, S. Austin, J. Kimmell, T. Carper, L. Ransbottom.
 SECOND ROW: G. Rauh, C. Rice, B. VanHalst, L. Criswell, K. Hustvet, K. Bowman, R. Bruce, K. Windle, S. Miller.
 THIRD ROW: S. Varner, R. Ford, C. Brinkman, D. Houser, F. Wilson, D. Ritchie, M. Hitchcock, E. Jones, K.

Coffelt. FOURTH ROW: P. Logan, R. McClellan, T. Sims, J. Minich, W. Webb, A. Stiffner, K. Broom, L. Adair, D. Smith. ABSENT: R. Evers, R. Freeland. Teacher: Mrs. Friend.

GRADE 4

FRONT ROW: D. Havert, A. Logan, L. Rupert, P. Reidenbach, B. Asher, H. Thomas, J. Kitchen, G. Rauh, L. Hicks, F. McCormick. SECOND ROW: S. Ackerman, G. Hoover, K. Schermerhorn, J. Berry, T. Carter, M. Huelsenbeck, B. Tyler, L. Weicht, C. Tucker, L. Rice, C. Austin. THIRD ROW: C. Knafel, J. Overla, C. Stiffner, C. Munk, S. McDonald, R. Kelley, C. Straight, B. Kelley, S. Nycum, D. Slusher. FOURTH ROW: F. Heltzel, C. Atkins, M. Vandenbosch, E. Dalton, C. Bidwell, D. Zimmerman, L. Adams, D. Lawson, J. Freed, S. McDonald. Teacher: Mrs. Cureton.





GRADE 2
 FRONT ROW: L. Havert, D. Masters, W. Stevens, L. Huff, E. Canen, N. Atkins, E. Isbell, M. Adair, M. Tucker. SECOND ROW: H. Jones, R. Summers, B. Barker, R. Goings, M. Potee, L. Schermerhorn, C. Richards. THIRD ROW: C. Richie, L. Smith, S. Herr, J. Hippenhammer, S. Likes, T. Burgei, L. Holleck, P.

Hampshire. TOP ROW: T. Hisey, D. Gallup, S. Hemerick, V. Donat, G. Lamp, E. Zimmerman, K. McDonald, J. Ackerman. NOT PICTURED: C. Dalton, D. Train. Teacher: Mrs. Buchanan.

GRADE 3

FRONT ROW: K. Straight, M. Asher, G. Norton, D. King, D. Trowbridge, G. Rauh, H. Bruce, J. Patterson, R. Smith, S. Chapman. SECOND ROW: L. Chapman, H. Straight, V. Buckland, J. Webb, R. Slone, C. Combs, B. Faulkner, M. Schmidt, C. Brunson, G. Tucker. THIRD ROW: S. Vandenbosch, D. Lieghty, K. Ritchie, B. Gibson, J. Gibson, J. Ritchie, D. Rasler, D. Summers, M. Mycum, L. Potee. FOURTH ROW: M. Mossman, B. Krull, R. Bair, J. Isabell, S. Cook, J. Stewart, R. Hastreiter, D. Jackson, B. Fox. Teacher: Mrs. Sears.





GRADE 1

FRONT ROW: C. Powers, T. Smith; S. Ritchie, J. Faux, J. Lough, R. Chapman, M. Kitchen, L. Clark, P. Buckland. SECOND ROW: G. Norton, B. Gibson, T. VanZile, R. Cook, N. Donat, T. Brady, M. Sattler. THIRD ROW: A. Freeland, W. Fritz, B. Mynheir, J. Webb, N. Fleck, S. France, H. Miller. FOURTH

ROW: D. Wolfe, D. Spencer, L. Rice. T. Donat, C. Dreher, T. Knapp, L. Ritchie. ABSENT: J. Leitch. Teacher: Mrs. Peakman.

GRADES 1, 2

FRONT ROW: M. Ritchie, M. McCormick, J. McClure, B. Wallen, V. Jackson, J. Wyatt, M. Ameriman, W. Conrad, F. Hicks. SECOND ROW: J. Klinger, C. Imes, R. Stapleton, D. Knapp, G. Masters, S. Rupert, D. Leighty, D. Hetrick. THIRD ROW: R. Bloomfield, R. Ramer, C. Coffelt, M. Shipe, J.C. Gibson, N. Smith, H. Buckland, C. Likes. Teacher: Mrs. Kester.



LAST WILL AND TESTAMENT (Continued from page 2)

I, Sally Sedgwick, will my real neat figure to Jo Ann Chapman and my walk to work after school to Karen Holsinger.

I, Skip Martin, will my ability to drive safely and carefully to Cynthia Nowels.

I, Carol Manning, will my height to Nancy Kilgore. I also will my natural blonde hair to Cynthia (Brown Spot) Nowels.

I, Virgil McKenzie, will my ability to lose my license for six months to whoever wants it. I will my ability to weld to Carl Flint. May he learn how!

I, Glenda Lingo, will my height to Cynthia Nowels; my slenderness to Annie Rowe; and my clothes to Cleo DeRemer.

I, Ann Kudla, will my ability to get kicked out of school to my brother, Fred, and my ability to drive to the Wolcottville guys. Also I will my ability to never get in on time to anyone who may want it.

I, Dave Kilgore, will my great ability as a star track runner and my ability to get a girl and stay sober to "Poke-along" Donley.

I, Sharon Wood, will my quiet, subdued manner to Jeanette Henderson; my habit of staying home every night and studying to Mary Jane Lambert; and my position as chocolate drop in the play to Lorraine Post.

I, Russell Jacobs, alias Jocko, will my red hair to Jim Spencer. I will my used Hudson to Raymond Brown. My way with women I will to Dave Wear.

I, Sue Holsinger, will my ability to have a different hair style every week to Sharon Frick and my position and happiness as yell leader to anyone fortunate enough to get it.

I, Marilyn Kitchen, will my disposition to my sister Marceil and my long hair to Mary Ellen Hollech.

I, Gloria Nissen, will my dark complexion to Lorraine Post. Also my way of dating neat boys I will to anyone who needs it.

I, Suzanne Ackerman, will my ability of driving to my brother Ralph and my engagement ring to Annie Rowe. My ability to get along with teachers I will to my brother Jerry.

I, Haven Post, will my church key to Jim Spencer; my English ability to Carl Flint; and my driving ability to John Holsinger.

I, Laverna Kimmell, will my ability to get in on time to my sister Phyllis and to have one date at a time to anyone who wants it. I also will my driving ability to Chalmer.

I, David Pray, will my ability to play a trumpet to Ford Frick; my height to Harlan Frick; and my scholastic ability to Butch Stewart.

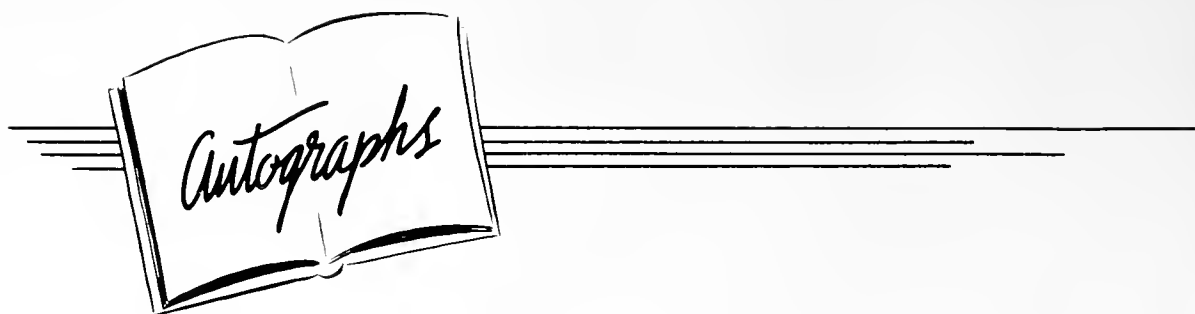
I, George Speakman, will my ability to get neat-looking girls from Fort Wayne to Dave Wilson; may he do better! I also will my ability to water ski to Mr Timberlake (he needs it).

I, Dick Hulen, will my ways to find new girls and still keep my old ones to Carl Flint, my ability to grow a beard to Jack Pence; and my ways to get in trouble to Sam Spencer.

(continued)



activities





Shirley Frick
"Queen"



Dave and Hannah



Don Leading The Grand March

Junior and Senior Prom



Joyce and Ned and Sharon and Phil



Sue and Dick



Eiffel Tower

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Paris*

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Bill Tatman and Shirley Frick



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FRONT ROW: S. Martin, B. Gallup, N. Imes, C. Manning, S. Holsinger, J. Schermerhorn, B. Potee, M. Krull, S. Wood, S. McCarty. SECOND ROW: C. Conrad, J. Freeland, N. Sturdivant, A. Huff, P. Pitney, S. Ackerman, P. Kimmell, L. Hague, J. Kinley. THIRD ROW: B. Vance, M. Masters, J. Schermerhorn, K. VanZile, J. Donley, C. Sleeper, C. DeRemer, O. Kimmell, N. Keister, S. Kimmell. FOURTH ROW: J. Pence, T. Laws, S. Masters, L. Post, N. Hemrick, K. Kanfel, C. Kitchen.

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1955



Mrs. Koons the chapter advisor



New F.H.A. members



Friends from other lands
party, a National F.H.A.
honor requirement



Another F.H.A. square dance



Making money at the
basketball games

F. F. A.



FIRST ROW: E. Bortner, H. Post, Mr. Goings, C. Flint, R. Schermerhorn, J. Growcock. SECOND ROW: D. Rauh, F. Evers, J. Kilgore, F. Stenner, R. Collins, A. Rhea, W. Poage, W. Trowbridge. THIRD ROW: E. Schmidt, J. Holsinger, J. Ackerman, V. MacKenzie, L. VanPelt, L. Eberly, R. Bortner, J. Bidwell, J. Krull.



L. Taylor, W. Trowbridge, and Mr. Goings

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and
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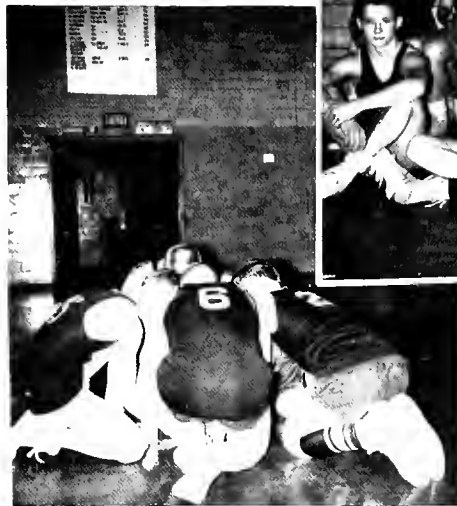
Ed Bortner's project.



Working in the farm shop: H. Post, Mr. Goings, J. Holsinger.



Putting to gether Farm Equipment:
H. Post, C. Flint, J. Growcock, R. Hague.

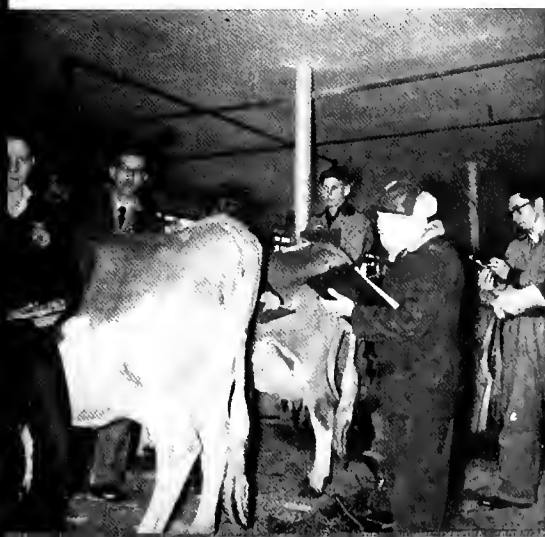


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FIRST ROW: J. Holsinger, J. Kilgore, E. Schmidt, F. Stenner, R. Collins, SECOND ROW: J. Bidwell, L. Thomas, J. Krull, J. Ackerman, F. Evers, D. Rauh.



JUDGING DAIRY
CATTLE: F. Evers,
Mr. Goings, L. Emerson,
D. Rauh, J.
Krull, L. VanPelt.

PUTTING TOGETHER
FARM-SHOP EQUIP-
MENT: C. Flint, J.
Growcock, R. Hague.





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 tin, G. Goings, L. Hague,
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 man (President), S. Huff, E.
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OUTDOOR LIFE
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SECOND ROW: Sharon McCarty,
Gloria Goings, Ola Kimmell.





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Girls' Ensemble: Accompanist SEATED: J. Chapman. STANDING: N. Kilgore, B. Potee, S. Frick, S. Sedgwick, G. Nissen, M. Kitchen, S. McCarty, D. Evers, M. Kitchen.

Girls' Trio: Sally Sedgwick, Gloria Nissen, and Marilyn Kitchen.



PROPHECY (continued)

Marilyn Kitchen is living on a black muck farm in Bermuda, raising Bermuda onions.

Glenda Lingo is one of the girls in an Egyptian harem. Her husband was formerly her pen pal, for whom she thanks Miss Biehl.

Haven Post is pitching for the Pittsburg Pirates. His picture will soon be placed in the basement of The Hall of Fame--for the most losses.

David Pray was expelled from West Point because he could not march.

Sally Sedgwick was just thrown out of the Coliseum ring by LaVorna Kimmell in their wrestling match.

George Speakman, who is a very rich man, has been given an award for the most sales of Model "T's."

Dorothy Thomas, who is a jockey for Dave Kilgore, has just won the Kentucky Derby on the great Citation III.

Sharon Wood is a Home Economist, working in Betty Crocker's kitchen, testing radio-active cakes.

Virgil MacKenzie is an A-1 welder in Ft. Wayne.

Is it possible to recognize these people as the former seniors of Rome City High School of the year 1956?

WILL (continued)

I, Lawrence Dietrich, will my hot-rod to Jim Spencer; my church key to John Holsinger; and my ability to get along with Rome City teachers to anyone who needs it.

I, Dairl Acres, will my hot-rod building ability to my brother; my curly hair to John Holsinger; and my ability to hold hands on the first date with a girl to all the good looking boys coming up.



A necessary part of any school staff is the cooks and office help. These pictures show such people busy at work.



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Lucille Shell and Eve Moore
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FRONT ROW: S. Sedgwick, D. Pray, D. Acres (President), J. Spencer, C. Flint, D. Shelvis. SECOND ROW: Mr. Schock, M. Krotzer, B. Gallup, L. Criswell, R. Schermerhorn, B. Shelvis, M. Krull, Mr. Wilson.



FIRST ROW: D. Fritz, E. Bortner, D. Kilgore, H. Post, D. Acres, J. Fritz, G. Speakman, D. Hulen, R. Jacobs. SECOND ROW: Mr. Schock, J. Holsinger, R. Brown, R. Hoffman, D. Wilson, R. Schermerhorn, J. Spencer, L. VanPelt, C. Flint, D. Richmond, J. Growcock, T. Knafel, Mr. Grosskopf.



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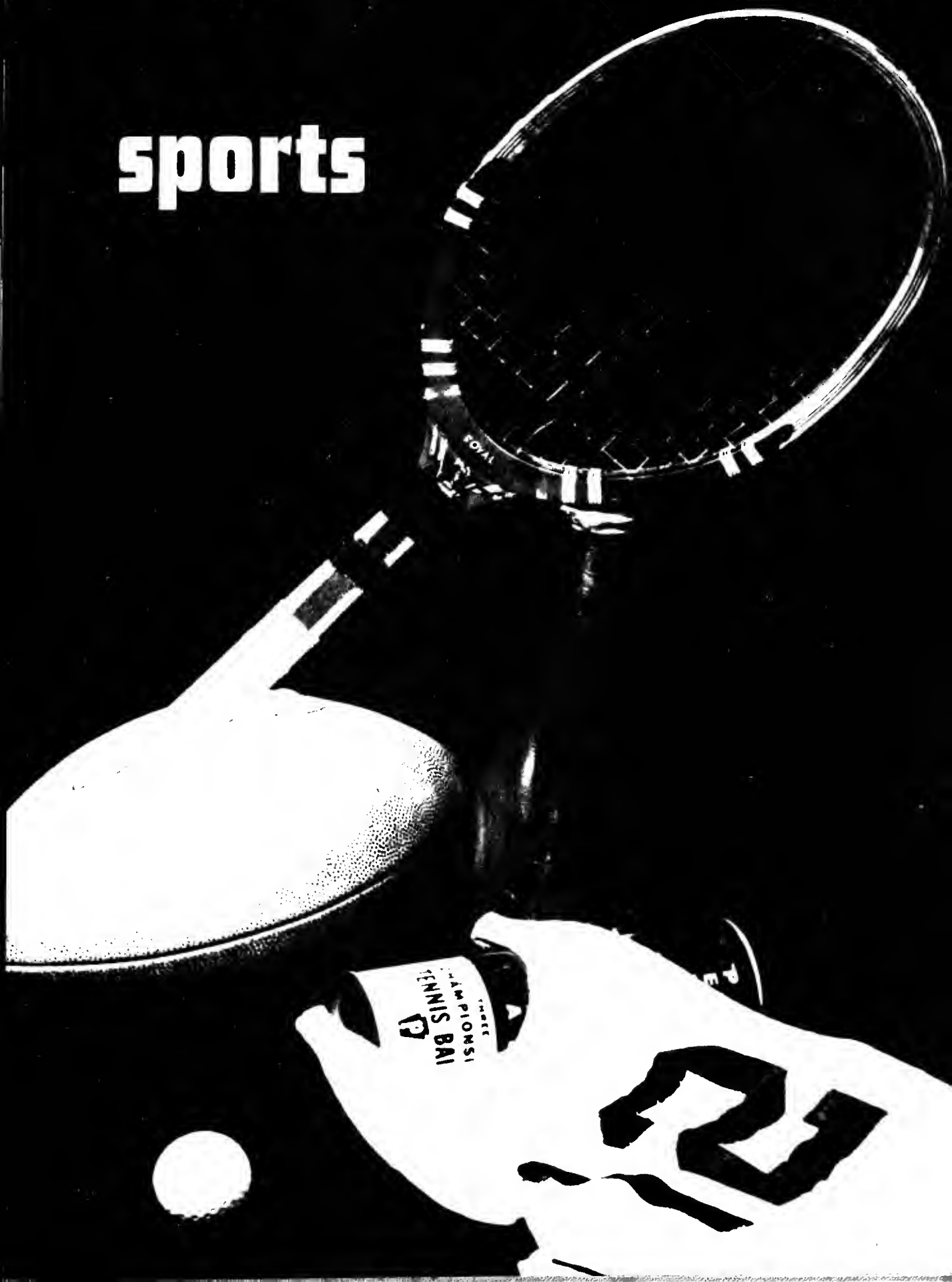
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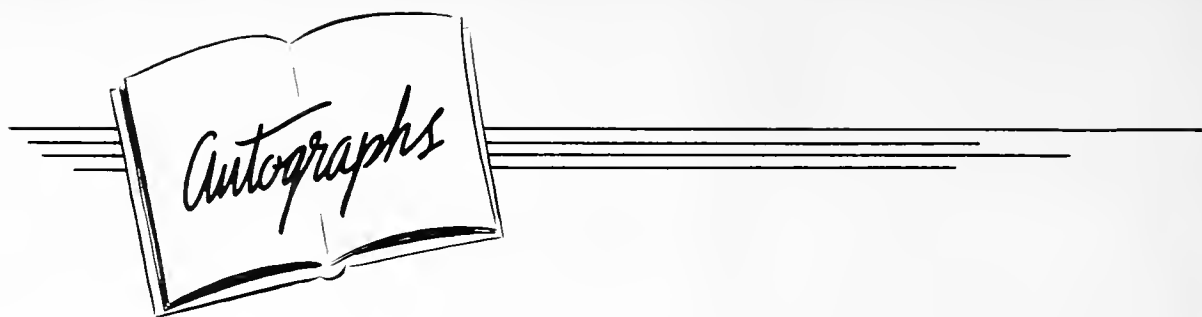
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A yearbook is due largely to the planning and work of its editor. At right we see Don Fritz, editor for the 1956 Gladiator, hard at work.



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FIRST ROW: J. Holsinger and H. Frick. SECOND ROW: H. Hammell, F. Frick, T. Knafel, B. Shelvis, B. Stewart. THIRD ROW: R. Schermerhorn, D. Wilson, D. Richmond, R. Hoffman, G. Speakman. FOURTH ROW: Mr. Shock, H. Post, J. Spencer, D. Acres, Mr. Grosskopf.

OPPONENT	R. C.	OPP.
Wolcottville	8	5
Mongo	9	5
Wolf Lake	7	4
Ligonier	9	8
Cromwell	5	2
Arcola	9	2
Shipshewana	21	4
Wawaka	3	3
Albion	2	0
Avilla	0	2
Avilla (County Tourney)	5	4
Wawaka (County Tourney)	4	2



WARM-UP!



Dairl Acres



Dave Kilgore

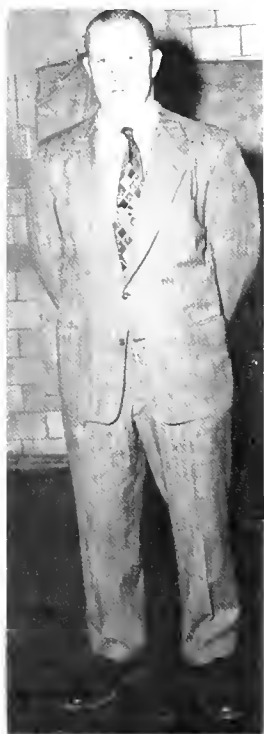


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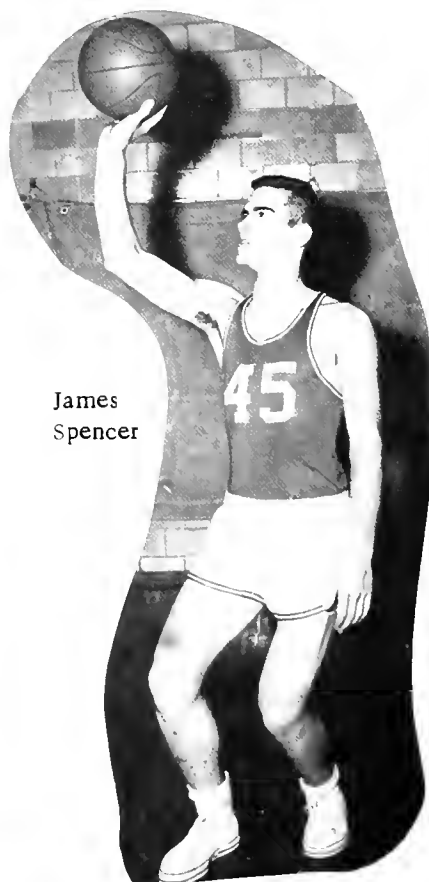
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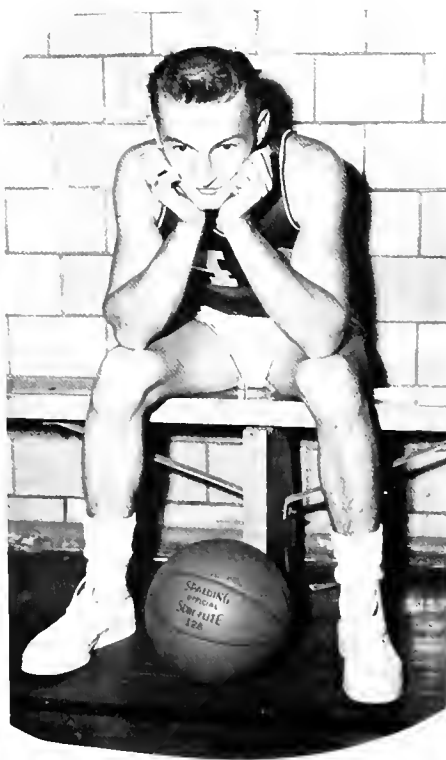
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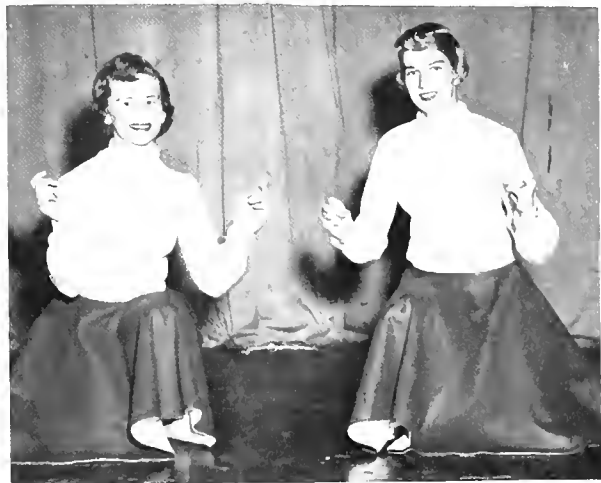


Carl Flint

Raymond Brown



Varsity Cheerleaders: S. Holsinger, M. Kitchen, and S. Frick.



"B" Team Cheerleaders: C. Nowels, and C. Manning.





SECOND TEAM: FRONT ROW: H. Frick, T. Knafel, F. Frick, R. Glass, L. Bortner, B. Shelvis, R. Sturgis. SECOND ROW: Mr. Schock, L. Eberly, C. Acres, D. Donat, A. Rhea, R. Schermerhorn, W. Poage, H. Hammell.



JUNIOR HI TEAM: FIRST ROW: S. Holsinger, L. Growcock, E. Cook, R. Frick, J. Tatman, B. Saarazin, M. Brown, D. Krull. SECOND ROW: Mr. Schock, M. Krotzer, M. Fitzgerald, S. Manning, L. Criswell, F. Jones, D. Ramer, D. Schermerhorn.



Although Cross Country is a fairly new sport in Rome City, it is growing every year.

Pictured at the left are: FRONT ROW: Don Fritz, Barry Shelvis, Terry Knafel, Johnny Holsinger. SECOND ROW: Jim Growcock, Larry VanPelt, Dave Wilson, Carlos Acres.



FIRST ROW: F. Kudla, D. Wilson, J. Growcock, D. Kilgore, D. Hulen, D. Fritz, R. Jacobs, J. Holsinger. SECOND ROW: Mr. Schock, R. Miller, L. VanPelt, J. Spencer, D. Acres, H. DeRemer, B. Tatman, Mr. Grosskopf.

Individual Records Set In 1955



John
Holsinger
Mile 5:09.5



Dave Kilgore

880	2:09.5
440	56.1
220	24.3
100	10.8



OTHER RECORDS

Low Hurdles	
H. DeRemer	23.7
Broad Jump	
B. Tatman	18'4"
Shot Put	
R. Miller	41'6"
Mile Relay	
B. Tatman	
J. Spencer	
H. DeRemer	
D. Kilgore	3:51.5
Half Mile Relay	
R. Jacobs	
B. Tatman	
H. DeRemer	
D. Kilgore	1:44.7



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HALF-MILE RELAY

R. Jacobs: third runner from the left.

100-YARD DASH

B. Tatman: left end.
D. Kilgore: fourth from right.



220-YARD DASH

R. Jacobs: third runner from left; D. Fritz: right end.

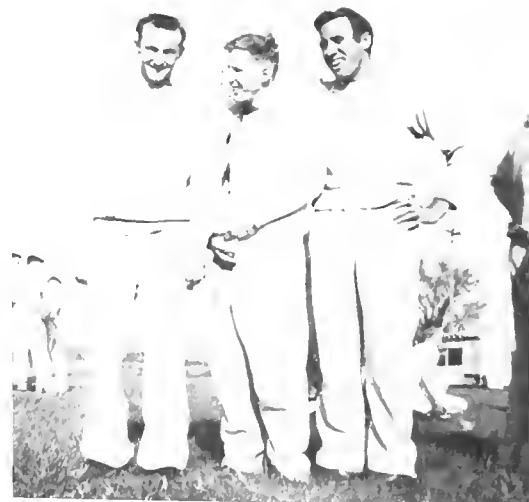


LOW HURDLES

H. DeRemer: right.

440-YARD DASH

D. Kilgore: right end;
D. Fritz: crouching in second row.



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HIGH HURDLES

D. Hulén: second from left.



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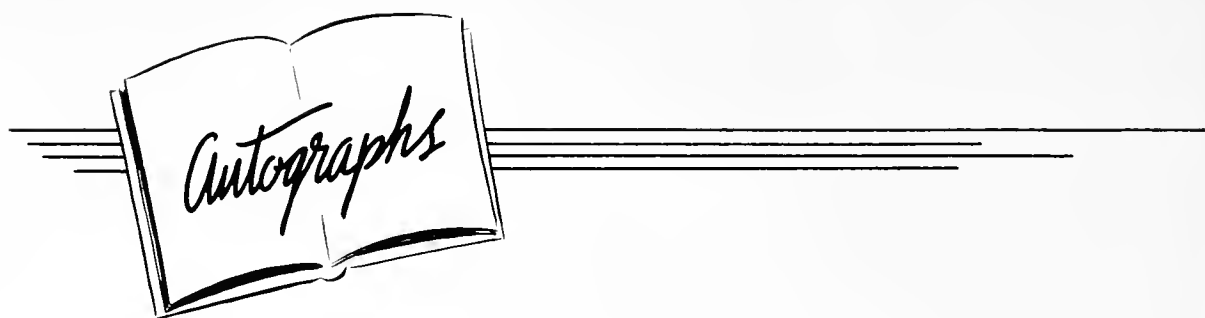
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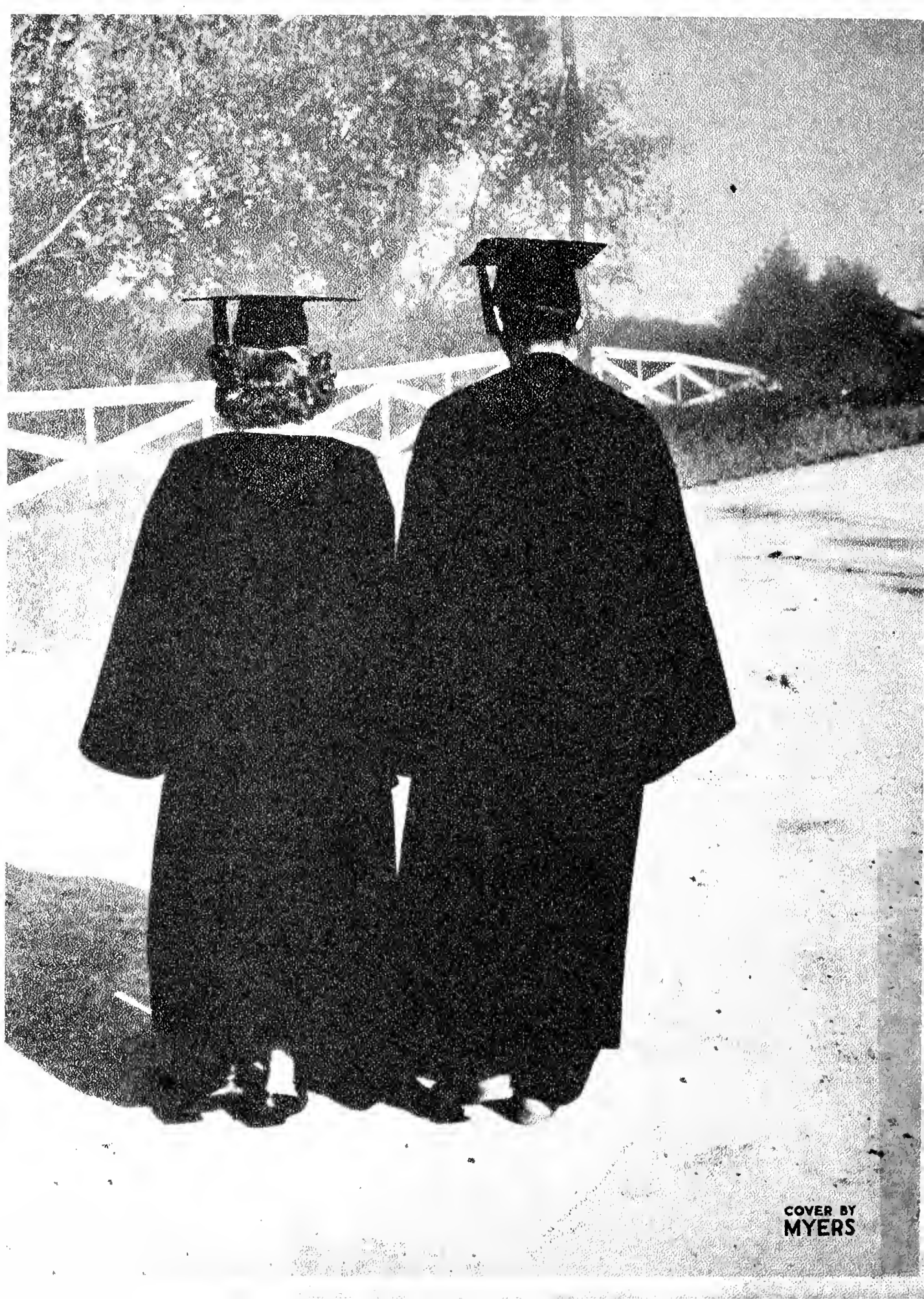
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